# Marlow Bottom's Annual Scarecrow Festival

Friends Of Burford
Registered Charity 1154863

## Sunday 25th Oct - Sunday 1st Nov 2026




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**All funds raised will be donated to Burford School in Marlow Bottom**

More details overleaf

# Scarecrow Festival 2026



Dear Parents,

It's that time again, the magical Scarecrow Festival in Marlow Bottom is back for its 7th year! This week-long, family-friendly event has brought smiles and cheer to our wonderful community, and we can't wait to see what creations appear this time.

Grab some hay, an old fancy-dress outfit, and get creative with duct tape, nails, and a hammer! Or, if building isn't your thing, simply buy a map from Tin-Town, The Barn Club, or Da Luca and enjoy exploring the scarecrows across Marlow Bottom during half-term. We would love to see as many Burford families as possible join in the fun!

**Ways to take part:**

- Enter a scarecrow - Make a donation by 13th October to register your entry, then have your scarecrow ready by Sunday 25th October. (Step-by-step details are included below.)
- Follow the trail - Buy a map and go exploring during the half-term holiday. The festival runs from Sunday 25th October to Sunday 1st November (inclusive).
- Compete for "Best Street" - There's no official prize, but there is plenty of bragging rights! Last year's winners, the residents of Hill Farm Road, set the bar high - can your street do even better this year?
- Live outside Marlow Bottom? - Don't worry! If you'd like to take part, email scarecrow@friendsofburford.org.uk and we'll try to find you a spot in the Valley. Spaces are limited, so please get in touch as soon as possible.



Thank you and have fun!!!



*Friends of Burford*

# How to enter your scarecrow

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**Step 1** Scan QR/visit facebook.com/mbscarecrow or instagram.com/mbscarecrow for rules

**Step 2** Send your name, email and address via email before **Oct 13th** to: scarecrow@friendsofburford.org.uk

**Step 3** To confirm entry*, please donate via this QR or: justgiving.com/campaign/MBScarecrow26

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**Step 4** Display your scarecrow in front of your house from **Sunday 25th October - Sunday 1st November**

**Step 5** Take a photo of your scarecrow, send it to scarecrow@friendsofburford.org.uk



## Prizes to be won

Funniest Scarecrow

Most Creative Scarecrow

Coolest Scarecrow

## Trail instructions

**Step 1** Pop along to **Tin Town Coffee**, **The Barn Club** or **Da Luca** to buy a map for £3 (2 @£5). All funds raised will be donated to Burford School.

**Step 2** Enjoy the trail! Mark your favourite scarecrows on the back of the map and return it to **Tin Town Coffee**, **The Barn Club** or **Da Luca** by **Nov 1st** for a chance to win a prize!

**Why not walk if you can? If driving, please use the car parks on the map (not the road/cycleway). Civil Enforcement Officers may operate in the area. Thanks for helping keep Marlow Bottom safe and enjoyable for everyone! ☺**

* If you are able to, please make a donation to enter, all proceeds go to Burford School. We truly appreciate your support!